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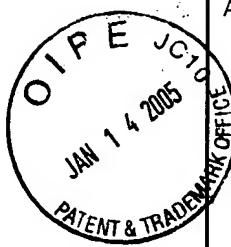
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**CONFIRMATION NO. 3328** 

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

### **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

• Additional claim fees of \$3750 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

#### **SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$3750 for a Large Entity

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$3750
  - \$1600 for 12 independent claims over 3.
  - \$2150 for 54 total claims over 20.

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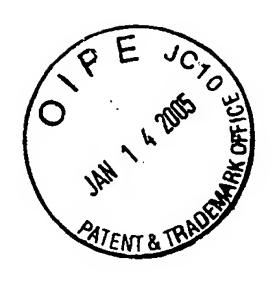
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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Earl ROTMAN et al.

Confirmation No. 3328

Serial No.: 10/709,329

Group Art Unit: 3628

Filed: April 28, 2004

Examiner: Nga B. Nguyen

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CREATING TRADEABLE FINANCIAL UNITS

### RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted mailed December 13, 2004, and as demonstrated by the following remarks, which are accompanied by **Exhibits A-F** (attached), Applicants respectfully submit that there are no additional claim fees due for the above-identified application in contrast to what is indicated on the face of the Notice. The Part 2 Copy of the Notice is enclosed.

The present application was filed electronically on April 28, 2004 using software authorized by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). An Acknowledgement Receipt bearing the timestamp "2004-04-28 17:46:01 EDT" was received electronically from the USPTO, a photocopy of which is attached in **Exhibit A**. A photocopy of the present application (including written disclosure, drawings, and thirty-one claims where seven are independent), as filed on April 28th, is attached in **Exhibit B**.

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As required by USPTO practice for electronic filings, the April 28th filing was accompanied by a Fee Transmittal and authorization to charge Account No. 04-0100 in the name of Darby & Darby PC. Under the fee schedule in effect on April 28, 2004, the following fees were chargeable at filing: a utility application filing fee (\$770), a request for early publication fee (\$130), a publication fee (\$300), an Assignment recordation fee (\$40), and an excess claims fee (\$542). The following is a calculation of the excess claims fee:

Total claims:  $31 - 20 = 11 \times $18 = $198$ Independent claims:  $7 - 3 = 4 \times $86 = $344$ Total: \$542

Thus, the entire amount of fees due for the April 28th utility application filing was \$1,782.

Monthly Statements of Deposit Account for Account No. 04-100, dated April 30, 2004 and May 28, 2004 are attached in **Exhibit C**. These Monthly Statements are redacted to remove information unrelated to the present application. The April 30th Monthly Statement indicates charges for Serial No. 10/709,329 in the amount of \$1,652 (control numbers 34-38 on April 29, 2004). The May 28th Monthly Statement indicates a charge of \$130 (control number 108 on May 4, 2004). Thus, total charges made by the USPTO to the deposit account for Serial No. 10/709,329 total \$1,782. Therefore, Applicants submit that no additional claim fees are due for the April 28th filing of the present application.

On July 15, 2004, Applicants filed a Submission of Replacement Drawings (Exhibit D) for Figures 1-8. An OIPE-stamped Certificate of Hand Delivery for this Submission is included in Exhibit D. This submission was made because, although drawing sheets were included as part of the April 28, 2004 electronic filing, upon review of the USPTO image file wrapper Applicants did not see copies of the drawing sheets. The present Notice to File Missing Parts indicates a filing date of July 15, 2004. Applicants submit that the Notice, should any even have been necessary, properly should have been based on the April 28th electronic filing of the present application. A Petition for Filing Date to correct the date was filed by Applicants on December 23, 2004.

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Because the application was made special, and is participating in a Pilot Program, a first Office Action on the merits was mailed September 8, 2004 (Exhibit E). The Office Action Summary page indicates that the Action is responsive to the communication filed April 28, 2004, and that claims 1-31 are pending in the application. An Amendment in response to the September 8th Office Action was submitted by facsimile on December 3, 2004. A USPTO Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission confirming receipt of the facsimile transmission, a Certificate of Transmission, an internal fax transmission receipt, an Amendment Transmittal Letter, and a Fee Transmittal are attached in Exhibit F.

The December 3rd Amendment added a total of forty-three claims (claims 32-74), where eight are independent. Because the Amendment was filed via facsimile, authorization was given on both the Amendment Transmittal Letter and the Fee Transmittal to charge the deposit account. Therefore, Applicants submit that the extra claim fees for the Amendment are properly paid as of the Amendment filing on December 3, 2004. The Amendment was received, as evinced by the Auto-Reply received from the USPTO on December 3, 2004 (see Exhibit F).

After the Amendment, there are seventy-four claims pending in the application, where fifteen are independent. The Notice to File Missing Parts requires payment of claim fees for all the pending claims in the application (i.e., twelve independent claims over three, and fifty-four total claims over twenty), where, as demonstrated above, all the fees due in this application were properly paid concurrent with the April 28, 2004 filing of the application, and concurrent with the December 3, 2004 filing of the Amendment.

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Further, the above discussion demonstrates that the claim fees associated with the response to the September 8th Office Action have been authorized to be charged and, thus, are deemed to have been paid at that time under the then pending fee schedule. Importantly, these particular claim fees are of no consequence to the present Notice.

Dated: January 14, 2005

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